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Title: METHOD OF TREATING A CONDITION BY STIMULATION OR
INHIBITION OF EPITHELIAL CELL GROWTH USING KERATINOCYTE
GROWTH FACTOR

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.56 and 37 CFR §1.97**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A is a listing of documents known to applicants in order to comply with applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56. A copy of each of the listed documents is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.97-§1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or is considered to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* prior art reference against the claims of the present application.

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Applicants respectfully request that the listed documents be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08A be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. §609. Examiner Saoud is invited to contact the undersigned to discuss any issue related to this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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